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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312

Sir:

Notice of Allowance in this matter was granted on March 28, 2005.

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.312, please amend the application as follows.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace Paragraph [00043] with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0043] After routing and/or multiplexing at router/multiplexer 70, the signal is packet decrypted at packet decryptor 72. Alternatively, optional bypass [[74]] 75 may be employed if the signal from the ground forward receiver transmitter sub-system 14 is not encrypted. At packet decryptor 72, the inverse packet encryption technique as that applied at packet encryptor 44 is applied to the signal.